Case 1:08-cv-05997-PKL

Plaintiff,

- against -

PROJECTOR S.A.,

Defendant.

# VERIFIED COMPLAINT

Plaintiff, RAVENNAVI SpA, (hereafter referred to as "RAVENNAVI" or "Plaintiff"), by and through its attorneys, Lennon, Murphy & Lennon, LLC, as and for its Verified Complaint against the Defendant, PROJECTOR S.A. (hereinafter referred to as "PROJECTOR" or "Defendant") alleges, upon information and belief, as follows:

- 1. This is an admiralty and maritime claim within the meaning of Rule 9(h) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and 28 United States Code § 1333. This claim involves the breach of a maritime contract of charter. This matter also arises under the Court's federal question jurisdiction within the meaning of 28 United States § 1331 and the New York Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards (9 U.S.C. § 201 et seq.) and/or the Federal Arbitration Act (9 U.S.C. § 1 et seq.).
- 2. At all times material to this action, Plaintiff was, and still is, a foreign corporation, or other business entity, organized under, and existing by virtue of foreign law and was at all material times the disponent owner of the motor vessel "PORT RUSSEL" (hereinafter the "Vessel").

- Upon information and belief, Defendant PROJECTOR was, and still is, a foreign 3. corporation, or other business entity, organized under, and existing by virtue of foreign law with a place of business located at 35A, Regent Street, Belize City, Belize.
- By a charter party dated July 11, 2007 Plaintiff voyage chartered the Vessel to Defendant. The charter party called for a single voyage from North Europe to Ecuador for the carriage of up to a full cargo of unleaded gasoline.
- On the following day the Defendant wrongfully, and in repudiatory breach of the 5. charter party, cancelled the charter party.
- On July 13, 2007 Plaintiff re-fixed the vessel for a substitute voyage for a single 6. voyage from Rotterdam to New York in order to seek to mitigate the loss and damage caused by Defendant's breach of contract.
- 7. Due solely to the Defendant's breach of contract the Plaintiff has sustained loss and damage. The Plaintiff had expected to carn the time charter equivalent of \$22,448 per day for a voyage estimated to last 39.46 days under the fixture with Projector.
- The Plaintiff actually earned the time charter equivalent of \$19,236.52 for a 8. voyage that lasted 46.6542 under the substitute fixture,
- 9. Thus, Plaintiff suffered loss and damage of \$3,211.48 per day of the 39.46 estimated voyage days under contract with Projector for a total principal loss of \$126,725.
- As a result of PROJECTOR's breach of the charter party as aforesaid, Plaintiff 10. has sustained damages in the total principal amount of \$126,725, exclusive of interest, arbitration costs and attorneys fees.
- Pursuant to the charter party, disputes exceeding \$50,000 are subject to the 11. jurisdiction of the English High Court and are to be construed in accordance with English law.

RAVENNAVI has commenced proceedings against PROJECTOR in the English High Court to which PROJECTOR has filed its Defence and RAVENNAVI has, in turn, filed a Reply. See English High Court filings attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

- This action is brought in order to obtain jurisdiction over PROJECTOR and also 12. to obtain security for RAVENNAVI's claims and in aid of English High Court proceedings.
- Interest, costs and attorneys' fees are routinely awarded to the prevailing party 13. under English Law. As best as can now be estimated, Plaintiff expects to recover the following amounts at arbitration as the prevailing party:

A. Principal claims:	\$126,725.00;
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В. Estimated interest on claims-2 years at 6% compounded quarterly: \$ 16,053,07; and

C. Estimated attorneys' fees and expenses: \$ 35,000,00.

Total: \$177,778.07.

- The Defendant cannot be found within this District within the meaning of 14. Rule B of the Supplemental Rules for Certain Admiralty and Maritime Claims of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure<sup>1</sup>, but, upon information and belief, Defendant has, or will have during the pendency of this action, assets within this District and subject to the jurisdiction of this Court, held in the hands of garnishees within the District which are believed to be due and owing to the Defendant.
- The Plaintiff seeks an order from this Court directing the Clerk of Court to 15. issue Process of Maritime Attachment and Garnishment pursuant to Rule B of the Supplemental Rules for Certain Admiralty and Maritime Claims, attaching, inter alia, any assets of the

<sup>1</sup> See Affidevit of Kevin J. Lennon anaexed hereto as Exhibit 1.

Defendant held by any garnishees within the District for the purpose of obtaining personal jurisdiction over the Defendant and to secure the Plaintiff's claim as described above.

# WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays:

- A. That process in due form of law issue against the Defendant, citing it to appear and answer under oath all and singular the matters alleged in the Complaint failing which default judgment be entered against it:
- B. That since the Defendant cannot be found within this District pursuant to Rule B of the Supplemental Rules for Certain Admiralty and Maritime Claims, this Court issue an Order directing the Clerk of Court to issue Process of Maritime Attachment and Gamishment pursuant to Rule B of the Supplemental Rules for Certain Admiralty and Maritime Claims. attaching all goods, chattels, credits, letters of credit, bills of lading, effects, debts and monies. tangible or intangible, or any other funds up to the amount of \$177,778.07 belonging to, due or being transferred to, from, or for the benefit of the Defendant, including but not limited to such property as may be held, received or transferred in Defendant's name or as may be held, received or transferred for its benefit at, moving through, or within the possession, custody or control of banking/financial institutions and/or other institutions or such other garnishees to be named, and that all persons claiming any interest in the same be cited to appear and pursuant to Supplemental Admiralty Rule B answer the matters alleged in the Complaint;
- C. That the Court retain jurisdiction to compel the Defendant to arbitrate in accordance with the United States Arbitration Act, 9 U.S.C. § 1 et seq.;
- D. That this Court retain jurisdiction over this matter through the entry of any judgment or award associated with any of the claims currently pending, or which may be initiated in the future, including any appeals thereof;

- E. That this Court recognize and confirm any arbitration award(s) or judgment(s) rendered on the claims set forth herein as a Judgment of this Court;
- F. That in the alternative this Court enter judgment against the Defendant on the claims set forth herein;
- G. That this Court award Plaintiff the attorneys' fees and costs incurred in this action; and
- H. That the Plaintiff has such other, further and different relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Dated:

New York, NY July 1, 2008

The Plaintiff,

RAVENNAVI SpA

Kevin J. Lengon

Anne C. LeVasseur

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# ATTORNEY'S VERIFICATION

State of New York	)		
	)	SS.:	City of New York
County of New York	)		

- My name is Kevin J. Lennon.
- I am over 18 years of age, of sound mind, capable of making this
   Verification, and fully competent to testify to all matters stated herein.
- 3. I am an associate in the firm of Lennon, Murphy & Lennon, LLC attorneys for the Plaintiff.
- 4. I have read the foregoing Verified Complaint and know the contents thereof and believe the same to be true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.
- 5. The reason why this Verification is being made by the deponent and not by the Plaintiff is that the Plaintiff is a business organization with no officers or directors now within this District.
- 6. The source of my knowledge and the grounds for my belief are the statements made, and the documents and information received from, the Plaintiff and agents and/or representatives of the Plaintiff.
  - I am authorized to make this Verification on behalf of the Plaintiff.

Dated: New York, NY July 1, 2008

Kevin I Lennon

# EXHIBIT 1

An application to amend the Claim Form and Substitute Projector SA for Projector Services Limited was filed on 15.02.2008

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
OUTEN'S BENCH DIVISION
COMMERCIAL COURT
BETWEEN:

Claim No. 2008 Folio 21

RAVENNAVI SpA

Claimant

- and -

PROJECTOR SA

<u>Defendant</u>

#### PARTICULARS OF CLAIM

- By a voyage charterparty on an amended ASBATANKVOY form dated 11<sup>th</sup> July 2007
  ("the Charterparty"), the Claimants, as Disponent Owners, agreed to charter the "PORT RUSSELL" ("the vessel") to the Defendants, as Charterers, for the carriage of a cargo of unleaded gas oil from 1 to 2 safe ports ARA-Hamburg range to 1 to 2 safe ports/stations Ecuador.
- The Charterparty, to which the Claimant will refer for its full terms and effect, provided (inter alia) as follows:
  - "... (C) LAYDAYS COMMENCING: 17th JULY 2007 0001 HRS CANCSULING: 20th JULY 2007 2359 HRS
  - (D) LOAD PORT(S)/ RANGE: ½ SP ARA\_HAMBURG RGE (E) DISCH PORT(S)/ RANGE: 1/2 SP/STS LOCATIONS ECADOR
  - (F) CARGO DESCRIPTION: CHOPT UP TO FULL CARGO NDFCA PMQS GRADE: GASOIL UNLEADED, UNDARKER THAN 2.5 NPA, SEGREGATION: MAX 2 GRADES WITHIN VESSEL'S NATURAL SEGREGATION

## (G) FREIGHT RATE(S): USD 1,435,000 BASIS 1:1 IF LOAD ARA USD 1,475,000 BASIS 1:1 IF LOAD NTH OF ARA

#### ABOVE RATES ARE BASIS 1:1 AND VIA PANAMA CANAL ALL INCLUSIVE

(I) LA YTIME: 84 HRS SHING

(J) DEMURRAGE: USD 26,000 PDPR

(K) COMMISION(S): 2.5 PCNT NAVIG8 EUROPE LTD

## 17. PANAMA CANAL TRANSIT CLAUSE

Any waiting time for transiting panama canal in laden condition in excess of 24 hours to count as laytime or demurrage if on demurrage, but charterers always to have the benefit of agreed laytime.

Prebooking, if required, to be for charterers' account.

#### 39. SPEED CLAUSE

The vessel shall perform the laden passage at about 13.5 knots weather and safe navigation permitting. ..."

- On or about 12th July 2007 the Defendant, wrongfully and in repudiatory breach of the Charterparty, cancelled the Charterparty.
- 4. On or about 13th July 2007, in compliance with their obligation to mitigate the damage the Claimant secured an alternative fixture for a single voyage from Rotterdam to New York ("the Alternative Fixture").
- By reason of the aforesaid the Claimant has suffered loss and damage as particularised below at paragraphs 6 to 8.
- The time charter equivalent of the Alternative Fixture was USS 19, 236,52 per day and the voyage lasted 46.6542 days as set out in detail in the attached schedule at HPW 1.
- 7. The time charter equivalent of the cancelled Charterparty was US\$ 22,448 per day with a voyage estimate of 39.46 days.

Filed 07/01/2008

- In the premises the Claimant's have suffered loss and damage in the sum of US\$3,211.48 per day for the 39.46 days the voyage under the cancelled Charterparty would have lasted, namely US\$ 126, 725.
- On 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2007 the Claimant presented their claim for US\$ 126,725 to the Defendant.
- 10. Further the Claimant claims and is entitled to interest pursuant to section 35A of the Supreme Court Act 1981 on the demages found to be due at such rate and for such period as the Court shall think fit.

## AND the Claimant claims:

- (1) USS 126,725, alternatively damages.
- (2) Interest.
- (3) Costs.

Ruth Hosking

# Statement of Truth

The claimant believes that the facts in these Particulars of Claim are true. I am duly authorised by the Claimant to sign these statements.

Full Name:

MARIA BORG BARTHET

Name of Claimant's solicitors:

HOLMAN FENWICK & WILLAN

Signed:

Position or office held: Assistant Solicitor

Served this 25 February 2008 by Holman Fenwick & Willan, Mastew House, Lloyds Avenue, London, EC3N 3AL, Solicitors for the Claimants. (Ref. JJC/451/MBB-5537/4)

Attached: Charterparty between Rayennayi SpA and Projector SA dated 11 July 2007.

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PLEASED TO CONFIRM FOLLOWING AGREED WITH YOUR AUTHORITY

STRICTLY PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL AND NOT TO BE REPORTED

CHARTER PARTY

T/C / DISPONENT OWNERS; RAVENAVVI SPA

HEAD OWNERS: Port Russel Gmbb&Co.KG, Pickhuben 2, D-20457, Hamburg,

Germany

CHARTERERS: PROJECTOR SA OR NOMINEE

BROKER 1: NAVIGS EUROPE LTD

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BROKER 2: NOT APPLICABLE

(DETAILS INCL BROKER/OPERATIONS CONTACTS)

CHARTER-PARTY FORM: ASBATANKVOY CHARTER-PARTY DATE: 11TH JULY 2007

PARTI

(A)

VESSEL : PORT RUSSEL
EX-NAME : MERIOM FOY
SDWT : 37,808 Metric Tonnes

 SDRAFT
 : 12.315 Metres

 LOA
 : 179.36 Metres

 BEAM
 : 29.028 Metres

FLAG : MARSHALL ISLAND

BUILT : 2002 CLASS : ABS

STOPPERS : 1 x 200 Metric Tonnes - Tongue Type

CHAIN SIZE: 76 Millimetres CUBIC 98 PCT: 44,479 Cu. Metres SLOP 98 PCT: 208 Cu. Metres

SEGREGATIONS: 5

PUMPS : 10 x 600 / 2 x 300 Cu, Metres/Hour

TPC : 48.75 Metric Tonnes

BCM : 90.68 Metres KTM : 45.80 Metres

GS : Yes
COW : Yes
SBT/CBT : SBT
VRS : Yes

GRT : 24910 Metric Tonnes

NRT : 10657 Metric Tonnes

PCNT : 20900 Metric Tonnes

SCNT : 21926.96 Metric Tonnes

DERRICK/CRANE: Cranes: 1 x 10 Tonnes

COATED : EPOXY
HULL : Double Hull
IMO : 9223265
CALL SIGN: V7FY2
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TVEL EXPIRY: 05/08/2008

Nationality of Master: ROMANIAN

Nationality of Officers: ROMANIAN+ russian

ationality of Crew: ROMANIANS

VESSEL LADEN SPEED: ABT 13.5 knts WSNP

IS VSL EX LAY UP: NO IS VSL EX DRYDOCK: NO

LAST 3 CARGOES: A) LAST : GASOIL

B) SECOND LAST: GASOIL C) THIRD LAST: UNL MOGAS

MAJOR APPROVALS/EXPIRY: TBOOK WOG VESSEL IS NOT UNAPPROVED TO:

EXXONMOBIL/BP/SHELL/TOTAL/SUNOCO/ERG

LAST SIRE INSPECTION: (WHO/WHEN/WHERE) - SHELL 20/05/2007 - AMSTERDAM

Has vessel been involved in any collision, grounding or

pollution incident the past 12 months; NO VESSEL POSITION AND Trinerary

(B) PRESENT POSITION/ITINERARY: IN BALLAST EX WEST FARICA - ETA AMSTERDAM 17 TH JULY 2007 DATES (C) LAYDAYS COMMENCING : 17TH JULY 2007 0001 HRS -CANCELLING : 20TH JULY 2007 2359 HRS GEOGRAPHICAL (D) LOAD PORT(S)/RANGE: 1/2 SP ARA-HAMBURG RGE (E) DISCH PORT(S)/RANGE: 1/2 SP/STS LOCATIONS ECUADOR CARGO DESCRUTION (F) CARGO DESCRIPTION: CHOPT UP TO FULL CARGO NDFCA PMQS GASOIL UNLEADED, UNDARKER THAN 2.5 NPA, GRADE: SEGREGATION: MAX 2 GRADES WITHIN VESSEL'S NATURAL SEGREGAGATION HEAT : NOT APPLICABLE FINANCIAL (G) FREIGHT RATE(S): USD 1,435,000 BASIS 1:1 IF LOAD ARA USD 1,475,000 BASIS 1:1 IF LOAD NTH OF ARA ABOVE RATES ARE BASIS 1:1 AND VIA PANAMA CANAL ALL INCLUSIVE ADDITIONAL PORTS TO BE CALCULATED AS PER OWNERS ADDITIONAL CLAUSE 12 (I) LAYTIME: 84 HRS SHINC (J) DEMURRAGE: USD 26,000 PDPR

1) OWNER CONTACT INFORMATION
OWNER/OPERATOR - ABHAY CHARA

(L) SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

OWNER/OPERATOR - ABHAY CHARAN OFFICE TELEPHONE NUMBER - + 65 6622 0088

(K) COMMISSION(S): 2.5 PCNT NAVIG8 EUROPE LTD

OFFICE FAX NUMBER - + 65 6622 0099 E-MAIL - OPS@NAVIG8GROUP.COM MOBILE NUMBER - + 65 9833 5882

SECONDARY 24 HR CONTACT WITH MANAGERS

OFFICE PHONE NUMBER - +44 207 659 9553

MOBILE NUMBER - + 44 7717 882323

FOR USA CALLS:

QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL - O'BREIN'S OIL POLLUTION SERVICE (OOPS), INC 645 CODIFIER STREET, SLIDELL LOUSIANA 70458-4094, USA

Oil Soill Response Organization (OSRO):

O'BREIN'S OIL POLLUTION

SERVICE (OOPS), INC.

645 CODIFIER STREET, SLIDELL LOUSIANA 70458-4094, USA

2) CHARTERERS CONTACT INFORMATION OPERATION CONTACTS: OFFICE TELEPHONE NUMBER - + 41 22 909 2828 OFFICE FAX NUMBER - + 41 22 909 2820 E-MAIL: OPSDESK@PROJECTORSERVICES.CO.UK

TELEX: 412012 PROCH

OPERATOR: CAROLINE GANZ

FFICE TELEPHONE - + 41 22 909 2827

E-MAIL: OPSDESK@PROJECTORSERVICES.CO.UK

MOBILE NUMBER - ÷ 4179 634 8957

HOME NUMBER - + 4122 301 2439

SECONDARY 24 HR CONTACT: EDITH KERTZ

OFFICE PHONE NUMBER - + 4122 909 2829

MOBILE NUMBER - + 4179 395 1776

## M) ADDITIONAL CLAUSES:

- WSTC
- Y/A Rules 1974 as amended 1994

#### TAXES/DUES:

Any raxes and/or dues on Freight and/or cargo to be for chancerers A/C and settled directly by them. (No time har to apply with respect to any claims received by owners for Taxes and/or Dues on Freight and/or cargo)

#### ANCHORAGE DUES:

S. Korean anchorage dues max 48 hours to be for owner's acet thereafter charts acet.

#### 5. CARGO DOCUMENTATION:

in case vessel waited for charterers purpose including cargo documentation after hoses off, waiting time for such purpose to be counted as used laytime or demurrage if vessel on demurrage. However, charterers have the benefit up to hax three (3) hours.

# 6. ICE CLAUSE:

Vessel never to trace in any kind of ice including slush, nor follow icebreaker.

#### US COAST GUARD CLAUSE:

If the charterers order the vessel to proceed to any port(s) in the United States, where the US coastguard or any other authority(ses) in the US have issued any pre-arrival requirements and/or restrictions, which will prohibit the vessel from tendering a valid notice of adiness on arrival at the place vessel is instructed or order by the said authorities/coastguard, then not withstanding any terms and conditions to this charter party, the vessel will be permitted to tender a valid notice of readiness on arrival at the place where the vessel was instructed/ordered to await any pre-arrival clearance/instruction and that laytime or time on demurrage will commence after the expiration of 6 hours. Any delay after the vessel passed the pre-arrival clearance and until the vessel arrives at the customary anchorage or berth will not be given any reduction due to awaiting daylight, pilots, tugs, tides or weather.

#### CANADIAN CARGO FEE CLAUSE:

Charterers to be liable for any bulk oi! cargo fees that may be imposed by an appropriate authority with respect to vessel calling a Canadian port which is considered to be non-member facility under the terms of the Canadian oil pollution requirements as stated in the Canadian shipping act.

#### 9. WAR RISK CLAUSES:

Any additional war risk insurance premiums (excluding owners basic annual war cover) in force at the date of this charter party shall be for charterers account.

Any increase in war risk insurance over and above that in force at date of charter party including insurance in respect of blocking and trapping and crew war bonus shall be for charterers account.

#### ROYAL PORTBURY DOCK / AVONMOUTH:

Max 45,000 usd total portcost for owners account if vessel discharges hyal portburry dock, ships due as levied on cargo discharged (ie usd 5:24 pmt) to be for charterers account and settled directly by charterers.

## 11. LIGHTERING/STS TRANSFER CLAUSE:

If lighting /STS transfer operation is required same always to be in accordance with ocimf latest edition of STS transfer. Charterers to supply all fenders/lines/hoses and any other equipment required for such an operation at charterers time and expenses and always subject to masters approval. Time to count in full 6 hrs after tendering nor or when first lighter vessel is alongside, whichever earlier, until last line/fender is off and lighter vessel has sailed. Time lost due to and/or weather and/or sea conditions to count in full as laytime or demarrage if on demarrage. If the vessel is required to complete cargo peration at a berth in port charterers will not have the benefit of 6 hours not prior berthing in port. Charterers warrant that there is no prohibition or restriction on STS operation at the port/place to which the vessel is ordered to perform STS transfer and further that they have obtained any/all necessary local approvals or licences to carry out operations at the designated prot/place.

#### INTERIM PORT CLAUSE: (If Lumpsum)

Charterers to pay for additional interim load/disch port at cost as foll:

#### A. DEVIATION:

Actual additional steaming time incurred as per masters statement for deviation which exceeds direct passage from first loadport to final dischaport as per BP's distance table at CP speed At 13.5.Knots

#### B. PORT TIME:

Time to count in full from arrival pilot station interim load/discharge port until dropping last outward pilot interim load/disch port.

ie no allowance for notice time, nor deduction for shifting even from anchorage to first berth and no deduction for time lost due tide, sea and weather conditions.

#### C. COST:

Peviation and port time used to be calculated at demurrage rate per day pro rata plus cost for all bunkers consumed during the deviation as well as bunkers in port as per master's telex/e mail statement.

Port costs to be settled directly by charterers .

#### D. PAYMENT:

Deviation and time used in port and bunkers consumed to be paid together with freight immediately upon completion of discharge as per owners telexed/e mail invoice with supporting document, which later to be supported by hard copy documentation.

#### 13. WEST AFRICA CLAUSES:

Max portcosts for owners account in wafrica is asd 15,000 balance charterer's account.

Any taxes and/or dues on cargo and/or freight including but not limited to Nigerian conservancy dues, handling charges, ship dues and NMA levy to be for charterers account and settled directly by them.

If any verting arrangments for same at their time and expense. Should any delays be incurred same to be for charterers account.

Any time awaiting naval clearance to be for charterers account and count as taytime or demurrage if on demurrage. Watchman if required to be charterers account.

Any delay in obtaining Nigerian task force permission to enter Nigerian waters to count in full used laytime or demurrage if on demurrage. NMA fee if imposed not to be for owner's acct. The charterers are to be responsible for the NMA approvals.

Any delays in West Africa whether berthing, shifting, discharging or sailing due to strikes/locks/restraints/work to rule or go slow to count in full as faytime or demurrage if on demurrage and expenses so incurred if any to be for charterers Account.

In any West Africa port dues and/or commission on cargo and/or freight and/or vessel to be for Charterers account provided not covered by Worklscale and to be paid directly by them. Charterers to re-imburse Owners immediately upon receipt of copy of Owners bank payment instructions with agent's payment request.

All bunkers consumed for drifting to safe areas and returning to fairway to be for charterers account and to be paid together with any undisputed demurrage (if any) or demurrage. This to be supported by masters statement.

adisputed demurrage incurred in West Africa to be paid every 10 days on account.

Extra War Risk insurance, if any, including crew war bonuses to be for charterers account.

#### 14. CANCELLATION CLAUSE:

If it becomes apparent that the vessel will not arrive at the load port prior to cancelling date, charterers have the option within twenty-four hours (24) after receipt of such notice from owners either to maintain the charter or cancel it without penalty to either party. If charterers do not cancel the charter within prescribed time after receipt of owners notice, the charter party in maintained on the basis of the new cancelling date proposed by the owners.

#### 15. VENEZUELAN STRIKE CLAUSE

If general strike in Venezueia laytime to count in full upon tendering nor and to pay the full demurrage if on demurrage. Nor in Venezuela to be considered valid upon vessel arrival and tendering at the nominated discharge port or as reasonably near as the vessel can safely proceed to

#### 16. WEATHER PORT CLAUSE

If load/discharge in Portugal, North Spain, Morocco, Falconara, Ravenna, Fiumicino, Gasta, Civitavecchia, Gela, Ancona, La Nouvelle, Algeria, Canary Island, Castellon, Sete, Lebanon, East Coast Mexico and/or if lightening/lightering/transhipment takes place at any location nd/or if vessel load/discharge via sea line and/or terminals not protected by breakwater any weather delays to count in full as used laytime or demurrage time if vessel on demurrage and any expenses/time for unberthing/reberthing due to bad weather to be for charterers account in all other cases/ports conoco weather clauses to apply.

## 17. PANAMA CANAL TRANSIT CLAUSE

Any waiting time for transiting panama canal in laden condition in excess of 24 hours to count as laytime or demurrage if on demurrage, but charterers always to have the benefit of agreed laytime.

Prebooking, if required, to be for charterers' account.

#### 18. MISSISSIPPI RIVER PORT CLAUSE:

If vessel load/discharge at Mississippi River ports time to count in full 6 hours after (unless vessel all fast earlier) tendering NOR at ocean pilot station inbound until dropping/passing last ocean pilot station outbound, ie no deduction for time lost due to shift from anchorage to first berth, time lost due to weather and/or sea conditions and awaiting tide.

Max Usd 25,000 portroosts in Mississippi for owners account thereafter for charterers.

#### 19. DYE CLAUSE

Charterers have the option to add 'liquid dye' to cargo in vessels tanks. Just prior to the commencement of discharge at their risk and

expense.

The time and cost for the dye addition shall be for charterers account and paid together with freight...

The dye can only be added with total compliance under the full instruction and supervision of Master and/or Chief Officer who will always have final authority to how the dye is added.

Charterers to indemnify owners as per owners P & I club wording for adding dye.

Owners standard instructions for adding dye to cargo which charterers to comply in full:

 All dye must only be added under direct supervision of the Master/Chief

officer

Dye shall only be liquid dye.

Dye to be added just prior discharge

Method of dyeing will be

Depressurize cargo tanks (pls take full precautions for HC and toxic gases during depressurization also inform terminal)

Insert a flexible pipe through a small opening or in case where vessels has a sounding pipe same could be used.

Add dye through a funnel to the bottom of the tank, never from the top

of the tank.

#### 29. TURKISH STRAITS CLAUSE

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere herein contained if the vessel commences the ballast voyage (as per itinerary advised Above) in time to arrive at the loadport within the cancelling date but is delayed because of the traffic regulations or navigational difficulties (incl.bad weather, fog etc.) Through the turkish straits north-bound such that vessel may not arrive by the cancelling date charterers' option to cancel as provided elsewhere herein cannot be exercised provided the ship arrives at canakkale by latest ..... Hrs , however if it is apparent that vol will miss cancelling at canakkale but can make loadport cancelling according to estimates of turkish straits delays as advised by turkish authorities then fixture will remain in full force. Owners to notify charterers of the date and time that they expect the vessel to be ready to load based on the advisory position given by the affic control. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere herein contained, if the vessel should be delayed during tanker passage or otherwise as a consequence of direct or indirect action of the turkish authorities and/or observing traffic regulations and/or navigational difficulties (incl.bad weather and/or adverse climate conditions) through the airkish straits north-bound and south- bound in excess of 24 hrs in total, the charterers shall pay compensation for such delay at the rate provided for demurrage. Any additional expenses in connection with complying with traffic regulations and/or charterers' voyage orders as regards the passage of the turkish straits to be for charterers' account (including but not limited to additional tugs, pilots, additional bunkers consumed - waiting or adrift etc.) Compensation for such delay, reimbursement for cost of bunkers and additional expenses to be paid together with freight against masters statement with supporting documents to follow in due course. Owners shall nominate agents for the turkish straits passage.

PROJECTOR VOYAGE CHARTERING TERMS.

DATED 15 APRIL 1999

AMENDED 24 MAY 2004

The following "Projector Voyage Chartering Terms, 15th April 1999" amended 24th May 2004 will remain in force throughout the duration of

the charter, together with any additional clause(s) or amendment(s) agreed between Charterer and Owner. Owner guarantees comphance with all warranties/obligations throughout the duration of this charter.

- GENERAL TERMS.
- a) Asbatankvoy Charterparty.
- b) "Worldscale" terms and conditions as at date of Charterparty.
- c) Eighty four (84) Eighty-Four (84) hours laytime allowance Sundays and holidays included
- d) York/Antwerp Rules 1974, as amended 1990 and 1994
- e) Freight payable in United States Dollars to the Owner's nominated account by telegraphic transfer.
- The negotiation and fixture to remain private and confidential at all times...
- g) Owner warrants that throughout the duration of this charter, the vesse! will be owned or demise chartered by a member of the 'International Tanker Owner's Pollution Federation Limited' (ITOPF).
- AMENDMENTS TO THE ASBATANKVOY.
- -) Amendment to Part I, Item K

Delete "New York (Strike out one)".

b) Amendment to Part I, Item L

Delete.

c) Amendment to Part II, Clause i

First line, delete "all convenient", insert "utmost".

d) Amendment to Part II, Clause 5

Delete "such cancellation date" insert "vessels arrival at loadport"

Add at end: "Cancellation or failure to cancel shall be without prejudice to any claim for damages Charterer may have against the Owner".

Add at end: "Should Owners become aware that the vessel will miss her cancelling, then Owners to advise Charterers of new required lacan and Charterers to have (wenty-four (24) hours to maintain or cancel the Charter Party.

#### Amendment to Part II, Clause 6 **e**}

Last sentence, after "However," insert: "irrespective of whether the berth is reachable on arrival or not,"

/, \_ast line, add at end: "or demurrage".

Add at end: "In any event Charterer shall be entitled to six hours notice of readiness at loading and discharge ports, even if the vessel is on demurrage".

#### Amendment to Part II, Clause 7. Ω

Add, in each instance, after "used laytime": "or time on demuzage".

#### Amendment to Part II, Clause 8 g)

econd sentence, after "If, however," insert: "delays occur and/or", and after, "...or consignee of the cargo," insert: "such delays shall count as half laytime, or if on demurrage".

Last sentence, delete "...for any demurrage..."

Add at end: "The Charterer shall not be liable for any delays caused by 'awaiting first tide' and/or waiting daylight and/or awaiting pilot(s) and/or awaiting tug(s)."

#### Amendment to Part II, Clause 9 h)

Delete, "..reachable on her arrival..".

Amendment to Part II, Clause 12

Delete Clause 12 in full and insert:

"Except where freight and/or specified port calls are agreed on a lump sum basis, dues and other charges upon the vessel, including those assessed by reference to the quantity of cargo loaded or discharged and any taxes on freight whatsoever shall be paid by the Owner, and dues and other charges upon the cargo shall be paid by Charterer. However, notwithstanding the foregoing, where under a provision of "Worldscale" and where freight and/or specified port calls are not agreed on a lump sum basis, a due or charge is expressly stated to be for the account of Owner or Charterer then such due or charge shall be payable in accordance with the provision of "Worldscale".

For lumpsum fixtures only, any taxes and/or dues on cargo and/or freight shall be for Charterers account and settled directly by them.

Where freight and/or specified port calls are agreed to be on a lump sum basis, such lump sum rate is inclusive of all dues and charges whether levied upon the vessel, freight, or cargo."

j) Amendment to Part II, Clause 20 (b) (iii)

Delete '1950', insert "1974 as amended 1990, and 1994".

k) Amendment to Part II, Clause 24

Delete Clause 24, refer Rider Clause 8.

BILL(S) OF LADING/INDEMNITY CLAUSE.

Discharging port(s) or range(s), shown in Bill(s) of Lading not to constitute a deciaration of discharging port(s) or range(s) and Charterer to have the right to order the vessel to any port within the terms of this charter.

Where and when specifically instructed to do so by Charterer, Owner

agrees to release the cargo onboard in the following cases:

- If no original Bill of Lading is available at discharge port(s) for;
- b) If vessel is ordered to discharge in a port different from the destination as shown in the Bill of Lading.

In consideration of Owner complying with Charterer's specific instructions, as above, Charterer shall, upon giving formal notification to Owner, invoke Owners P & I Club approved wording with no bank guarantee, the following indemnity:

- 1. To indemnify Owner(s), Owner(s) servant(s) and agent(s) and to hold Owner(s) and them harmless in respect of any fiability loss or damage of whatsoever nature which they may sustain by reason of Owner(s) causing the vessel to proceed to port(s) other than that named in the Bills of Lading and causing the vessel to deliver the cargo at such port(s) without the production of the Bills of Lading. Further, if Charterer requests Owner(s) to deliver the cargo to a person or persons other than the holders of the Bills of Lading to indemnify Owner(s) and hold Owner(s) harmless in respect of any loss or damage of whatsoever nature which Owner(s) may sustain by reason of Owner(s) doing so...
- 2. To pay Owner(s) on demand the amount of any loss or damage of whatsoever nature which the Master and/or agent(s) of the vessel and/or y other of Owner(s) servant(s) or agent(s) whatsoever, may incur as a result of the vessel proceeding and delivering the cargo as set out in paragraph 1, hereof.
- 3. In the event of any proceedings being commenced against Owner(s) or any of Owner(s), servant(s) or agent(s) in connection with the vessel having proceeded as aforesaid or having delivered the cargo in accordance with Charterer's request, to provide Owner(s) or their servant(s) or agent(s) from time to time on demand with sufficient funds to defend the said proceedings.
- 4. If the vessel or any other vessel or property belonging to the Owner(s) should be arrested or detained or if the arrest or detention thereof be threatened, to provide on demand such bail or other security as may be required to prevent such arrest or detention or to secure the

release of such vessel or property and to indemnify Owner(s) in respect of any loss, damage or expenses caused by such arrest or detention whether or not the same may be justified.

- 5. If called upon to do so at any time while the goods are in Charterer's possession, custody or control, to redeliver the same to Owner(s).
- 6. To produce and deliver up to Owner(s), duly discharged all of the Bills of Lading for the cargoes signed by the Master or on his behalf, as soon as they have arrived and/or come into Charterer's possession.
- The liability of each and every person under this indemnity shall be joint and several and shall not be conditional upon Owner(s) proceeding first against any person, whether or not such person is party to or liable under this indemnity.
- 8. This indemnity shall be construed in accordance with English Law and each and every person liable under this indemnity shall at Owner's request, submit to the jurisdiction of the High Court of Justice of England.

The above indemnity shall automatically be null and void upon presentation of the relevant Bill of Lading, or 13 (Thirteen) months after completion of discharge of cargo to which such indemnity is elevant.

# 4. POSITION CLAUSE - SEE MAIN TERMS

Owners warrant that the vessel is open at ........... with an E.T.A at charterers intended load port of ..................... weather and safe navigation permitting. Owners to advise charterers, immediately, of any change in E.T.A of more than 12 hours.

#### ADDRESS COMMISSION.

Two point five per cent (2.5%) address commission on freight, deadfreight and demurrage, which Charterer's are at liberty to deduct from freight, deadfreight and demurrage payments.

# WEATHER CLAUSE. - PLS SEE OWNERS ADDITIONAL CLAUSES 11/16

Any time lost at load and/or discharge port(s), whenever/howsoever lost, which is directly/indirectly attributed to weather conditions and/or 'sea state', shall count as half laytime or if the vessel is on domunage, at one half demunage rate.

#### THIRD PARTY ARREST CLAUSE.

In the event of arrest or other sanction levied against the vessel or Charterer arising out of Owner's breach or any fault of Owner, Owner shall indemnify Charterer for any damages, penalties, costs and consequences and any time vessel is under arrest due to Owner's breach or any fault of Owner is fully for Owner's account

#### LAW AND LITIGATION CLAUSE.

This charter shall be construed and the relations between the parties determined, in accordance with the laws of England.

Any dispute arising out of or in connection with this charter, involving amounts in excess of US\$ 50,000 (United States Dollars Fifty Thousand) shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the English High Court.

Any dispute arising out of or in connection with this charter involving amounts up to and including US\$ 50,000, (United States Dollars Fifty tousand) shall be referred to arbitration by a single arbitrator in London in accordance with the provisions of the London Maritime Arbitrators Association (LMAA) Small Claims Procedure.

#### CLAIMS CLAUSE.

Charterer shall be discharged and released from all liability in respect of any claims Owner(s) may have under this Charterparty (such as but not limited to, claims for deadfreight, demurrage, port expenses, shifting expenses), unless claim has been presented in writing to Charterer with all available supporting documents within 90 (ninety) days from completion of discharge of cargo carried under this Charterparty.

#### OVER-AGE INSURANCE.

Over-age insurance on cargo owing to vessel's age shall be for Owner's account. (Hover 15 years).

## War Risk Additional Expenditure

- a) For the purpose of this clause, a war risk area shall be as defined from time to time by the Joint War Committee of Lloyd's of London.
- b) "Additional Premium" means the extra charge imposed by the vessel's underwriters as a result of the vessel breaching its basic War Risk Cover by proceeding to a listed area.
- c) The additional war risk premium in force at the date of fixture shall be for Owners' account. Any increase in the additional war risk premium rate after the date of fixture shall be for Charterers' account.
- d) The first 14 days of additional premium payable shall be for the Owners' account, and thereafter for Charterers' account, provided that Owners obtain from their insurers a waiver of any subrogated rights against Charterers in respect of any claims by Owners under their war risk insurance arising out of compliance with Charterers orders.

In the event of an extended stay in the vicinity of a fisted area, Charterers may direct the vessel to proceed safely offshore and thus out of the area which attracts additional premium. The master shall note and inform Charterers each time the vessel passes into and out of the listed area.

- f) In assessing liability for additional premium in accordance with paragraph c) above, the times spent inside the listed area shall be aggregated, and the aggregated total shall determine the time for which additional war risk premium is payable.
- g) Charterers shall reimburse Owners for Crew Bonuses, which are are defined as mandatory payments imposed by the Government or State under whose flag the Vessel sails, or other Government to whose laws Owners are subject, or any body or group acting with the power to compel

compliance with their orders or directions. Any voluntary bonus paid by Owners to the Officers and/or crew in respect of the voyage performed pursuant to this contract shall be for Owners' account. For the avoidance of doubt any "blocking and trapping", "loss of profit", "loss of hire", "loss of freight" or "loss of bunkers" insurance taken out by Owners in respect of the Vessel, and any additional premium relating thereto, arising from Charterers trading of the Vessel, shall be for Owners' account.

h) Any payments under this classe will be made only against proven documentation. Any discount or rebate refunded to Owners, for whatever reason, in respect of additional war risk premium shall be passed on to Charterers.

Sec FR8 Additional Clause 9.

- .2. ADDITIONAL OIL POLLUTION INSURANCE CLAUSE. Owner warrants that they have and will maintain throughout the period of this charter:
- (a) The standard oil pollution insurance cover (currently US\$ 1 Billion) available from their P & I Clubs; and
- (b) Any additional oil pollution insurance cover (Currently USS 200 Million) which becomes available via their P & I Club or through underwriters providing first class security.
- (c) i) Owner(s) to provide written evidence of (a) and (b) from their P and I Club and/or underwriters providing first class security.
- Such documented evidence to be received by Charterer ithin one normal working day of the day the fixture was confirmed.
- iii) If such documented evidence has not been received by Charterer before the indicated period then Charterer shall have the option to either cancel the charter or extend the period under ii) by a further working day.

#### CARGO RETENTION CLAUSE.

In the event that any cargo remains on board upon completion of discharge, Charterer shall have the right to deduct claim from freight an amount equal to the FOB load port value of such cargo plus an apportionment of freight, with respect thereto, provided that the volume of cargo remaining onboard is liquid and pumpable by the vessel's pumps, or would have been fiquid and pumpable but for the fault or negligence of Owner(s), the Master, the vessel or her Crew (including, but not limited to incorrect trim and incorrect heating procedures), as determined by surveyor appointed by Charterer and acceptable to both Owner and Charterer, whose findings shall be final and binding.

Any action or lack of action in accordance with this provision, shall be without prejudice to any other rights or obligations of the parties. For the purposes of this clause, any surveyor who is ISO 9002 certified, shall be considered acceptable to both Owner and Charterer.

# 14. DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE CLAUSE.

Owner warrants that it has a policy on drug and alcohol abuse applicable to the vessel which meets or exceeds the standards in the 'Oil Companies International Marine Forum guidelines for the control of drug and alcohol onboard ship, O.C.I.M.F. January 1995'. Owner further warrants that this policy will remain in effect during the term of this charter and that Owner shall exercise due diligence to ensure that this policy is complied with.

15. INTERNATIONAL SAFETY MANAGEMENT (ISM) CODE. Owner warrants that a 'Safety Management System (SMS)' in accordance with the 'ISM Code' will be in operation throughout the duration of this marter. It is a condition of this Charterparty that on and after 1st July 1998 the Owners or "the Company" (as defined by the ISM Code) shall have a valid 'Document Of Compliance (DOC)' and the vessel shall have a valid 'Safety Management Certificate (SMC)'. Upon request the Owner(s) shall provide a true copy of the relevant DOC and SMC to the Charterer.

Without limitation to Charterer's remedies under this clause, Owner shall indemnify the Charterer for any losses, damages or expenses directly/indirectly attributed to vessel's non-compliance with the ISM code and/or to Owner's failure to respond (or delay in responding) to Charterer's request for the foregoing certificates and any delays, to the extent arising from such non-compliance or failure/delay in responding, shall not count as laytime or, if vessel is on demarrage, as time on demarrage.

# 16. OIL COMPANY APPROVALS CLAUSE.

Owner warrants that the vessel is approved by the following companies and will remain so throughout the duration of this Charterparty (Owner'(s) to advise, including inspection dates and expiry dates)

# SEE MAIN TERMS

#### 17. ELIGIBILITY CLAUSE.

Owner warrants that to the best of their knowledge and belief the vessel is in all respects eligible and not prevented for any reason whatsoever for trading to the ports and places specified in Clauses C and D hereof and that at all necessary time, she shall have onboard all certificates, records and other documents required for such services. If any element of this warranty is breached, any delay resulting therefrom shall not count as laytime, or if the vessel is on demurrage, as time on demurrage and Owner shall indemnify Charter for any damages or expenses incurred as a result of such breach.

- 18. UNITED STATES OIL POLLUTION ACT OF 1990 (OPA-90). Owner warrants:
- a) That they and/or the vessel operator has submitted to the United States Coast Guard for approval a response plan for the vessel (VRP) which meets in full the requirements of the United States Oil Pollution Act of 1990, the Government Regulations issued thereunder and any change, rule or regulation in substitution of, or supplementary to, such Circular (collectively 'VRP Requirements').
- That the VRP is approved and the vessel is operated in compliance therewith, when and as required by the VRP requirements.
- That the Owner or operator of the vessel and the vessel fully meets all other requirements of OPA and any Government's Regulations or guidelines issued thereunder.

This clause does not in any way lessen the overall effect or relieve the Owner of any State obligations in respect of Vessel Response Plans or other pollution requirements.

#### UNITED STATES COAST GUARD (USCG) CLAUSE.

Owner warrants during the term of this charter the vessel will fully comply, if not in compliance will hold necessary waivers, with all applicable United States Coast Guard Regulations now in effect. cluding, but not limited to, pollution and safety regulations of the Code of Federal Regulations, as amended, and all other applicable state pollution and safety laws, rules and regulations as may be promulgated and subsequent amendment thereto.

The vessel is to have valid certificate(s) onboard complying to the above regulations at all times during the currency of this Charterparty.

Owner to indemnify Charterer for any penalties, costs or consequences resulting from vessel's non-compliance and any delays shall not count as used laytime or time on demurrage if vessel is on demurrage.

Owner warrants that, in accordance with U.S. Customs Regulation 19 CFR, section 4.7A and 178.2 as amended, they have the standard carrier Alpha code (SCAC) which will prefix a Bill of Lading serial number and a Form A. The 'Unique Identifier' is to be entered on all Bills of Lading, cargo manifest, cargo declarations and other cargo documents issued under this Charterparty relating to the carriage of goods to the United States. Charterer is not responsible for any losses or delays resulting from Owner's failure to comply with the foregoing.

Owners warrant that they are aware of the requirements of the U.S Bureau of Customs and Border Protection ruling issued on December 5th 2003 under Federal Register Part II Department of Homeland Security 19 CFR Parts 4, 103, et al. and will comply fully with these requirements for entering U.S ports..

## ISPS.

- (d) (i) From the date of coming into force of the International Code for the Security of Ships and of Port Facilities and the relevant amendments to Chapter XI of SOLAS (ISPS Code) in relation to the Vessel and thereafter during the currency of this Charter Party, the Owners shall procure that both the Vessel and "the Company" (as defined by the ISPS Code) shall comply with the requirements of the ISPS Code relating to the Vessel and the Company. Upon request the Owners shall provide a copy of the relevant International Ship Security Certificate (or the Interim International Ship Security Certificate) to the Charterers. The Owners shall provide the Charterers with the full style contact details of the Company Security Officer (CSO).
- (ii) Except as otherwise provided in this Charter Party, loss, damage, expense or delay, excluding consequential loss, caused by failure on the art of the Owners or the Company to comply with the requirements of the aSPS Code or this Clause shall be for the Owners account.
- (b) (i) The Charterers shall provide the CSO and or the Ship Security Officer (SSO)/Master with their full style contact details and, where sub-letting is permitted under the terms of this Charter Party, shall ensure that the contact details of all sub-charterers are likewise provided to the CSO and or the SSO/Master.
- (ii) Except as otherwise provided in this Charter Party, loss, damage, expense or delay, excluding consequential loss, caused by failure on the part of the Charterers to comply with this Clause shall be for the Charterers account.

22. VACUUM GASOIL (VGO)/ LOW SULPHUR WAXY RESIDUE (LSWR) CLAUSE. (IF APPLICABLE)

If loading VGO or LSWR and the previous cargo was fuel oil, marine diesel oil, VGO or gasoil, it is essential that no tank cleaning is performed prior to loading except to ensure that all tanks, lines and pumps are stripped dry and drained of any previous cargo. Furthermore the R.O.B./O.B.Q. should not exceed 0.1 per cent of cargo quantity and that these should not contain water.

After all other cargoes, the following tank cleaning must be performed.

- Hot machine wash all tanks designated to carry VGO/LSWR (water pressure 150 psi, temperature 150 deg Fahrenheit).
- Strip tanks completely dry and drain all lines and pumps of water.
- a) Thoroughly wash all tanks, lines and pumps designated for VGO/LSWR with fresh water to eliminate all traces of salt water.
  - b) Drain pumps and lines.
  - bry out tanks.
- 4. Irrespective of previous cargo, where salt water ballast has been loaded into cargo tanks designated for VGO/LSWR, the vessel shall:
  - a) On completion of de-ballasting strip tanks dry.
  - b) Drain pumps and lines.
- c) Fresh water rinse all salt water contaminated tanks, lines and pumps.

- d) Drain pumps and lines.
- e) Dry out tanks.
- f) Where possible, load first into tanks which previously contained ballast to at least 25 pct full before switching to other tanks.
- Regardless of previous cargo, prior to loading, all heating coils must be blown through with steam to ensure there is no entrapment f salt water through heating coil leakage.
- 6. Heating: Throughout the voyage and discharge, the vessel should maintain loaded temperature or a temperature of plus 15 deg C higher than cargo pour point whichever is higher.

#### PART CARGO.

The "Worldscale" freight rate for tonnage loaded in excess of minimum agreed quantity will be at 50% (fifty percent) of the agreed "Worldscale" freight rate(s) except where lump sum rates have been agreed.

#### 24. COMMINGLE CLAUSE.

Charterer to have the right to commingle the cargo in vessel's tanks and Master to execute this operation as per Charterer's instructions subject to ship's safety. If Charterers exercise such option, Owners make no warranty as to cargo quality or evenness of cargo mixture and Charterers will indentify Owners in the event of any claim of this nature arising directly as a result of complying with Charterers instructions under this Clause.

# HEATING UP CLAUSE. (IF APPLICABLE)

If required by Charterer's, vessel shall raise cargo temperature but always to a maximum of 135 degrees Fahrenheit. Additional costs associated with increasing cargo temperatures to be reimbursed to Owner

by Charterer at cost, payable against Owner's invoice and supporting documentation.

#### SAMPLING CLAUSE.

Charterer to have the liberty to order the vessel to call at a port for sampling purposes. All port costs to be for the Charterer's account and all time lost to count as used laytime or time on demurrage, if vessel is on demurrage.

#### BLENDING CLAUSE.

Charterer to have the option of discharging part or all cargo in one safe port and reloading same port for further discharge within the agreed ranges. Time at the discharge/reload port to count as laytime or f vessel is on demurrage, as time on demurrage in accordance with tharterparty terms and conditions. Freight always to be based on the maximum Bill of Lading quantity carried on any part of the voyage, or the minimum quantity as per Charterparty, which ever is the greater. Reload port to be considered as second loadport for freight calculation purposes.

# 28. LIGHTERAGE CLAUSE.

If lightering/ship to ship (STS) is required at any designated port, safe place or anchorage, time consumed performing this operation (including back loading) shall count as laytime or time on demurrage in accordance with Charterparty terms and conditions. In either event, time shall commence six (6) hours after anchoring or whenever the lighterage/STS craft is all secure alongside, whichever occurs first, he anchorage, STS or lighterage area shall not be considered as an additional port or berth and any running time from such lighterage area shall not count as laytime or time on demurrage.

#### PUMPING CLAUSE.

Owner(s) to agree to discharge the entire cargo within 24 hours or maintain 100 P.S.I. (pounds per square inch) at the ships rail provided the shore facilities permit. If shore facilities do not permit discharge within agreed time, then Master to keep pumping logs and issue a letter of protest and to make best endeavours to have both countersigned by the terminal.

Should it become necessary to withdraw the ship from berth because of her proven failure to maintain the discharge rate, all time and expenses incurred are to be for Owner's account.

## DÍVERSION CLAUSE.

Notwithstanding anything else to the contrary in this Charterparty, and notwithstanding what loading and/or discharging port(s)/range(s) may have been nominated and Bill(s) of Lading issued. The Charterer shall have the right to change its nomination of the loading and/or discharging ports in accordance with Part 1, C and D of the charter. Any extra time and expenses incurred by Owner in complying with Charterer's orders shall be for Charterer's account and calculated in accordance with Part II, Clause 4, of this Charterparty. Charterer shall have the right to make as many changes as it deems necessary.

## 31. INTERIM PORTS CLAUSE. (where applicable) SEE OWNERS ADDITIONAL CLAUSE 12

Charterer shall pay for any interim Load/Discharge port(s) at cost. Time for additional steaming, which exceeds direct route from first Loadport to furthest Discharge Port, shall be paid at the demurrage rate plus bunkers consumed, plus actual port costs, if any. The reasonable, estimated costs will be payable as an on account payment together with freight, followed by final invoice plus all supporting documents as soon as possible but not later than 90 120 days after completion of this voyage.

#### OPERATIONS CLAUSE.

#### A) CLEAN BALLAST.

The vessel is to arrive at the loadport with clean ballast. However, in the event vessel discharges any ballast, notwithstanding the terms and conditions of part if of the Charterparty or "Worldscale", such related time and costs to be for Owner's account.

#### B) CRUDE OIL WASHING, (IF APPLICABLE)

Vessel will routinely employ Crude Oil Washing (COW) on discharge in accordance with the procedures described in the ICS/OCIMF 'Guidelines for Tank Washing with Crude Oil', in the absence of express contrary instructions of the Charterer or prohibition by port or terminal regulations.

Owner(s) agree to comply with applicable port and terminal regulations and, as necessary, to submit any advance information or technical data

that may be required by local authorities relative to the conduct of COW operations.

#### AGENTS CLAUSE.

Owner to appoint their (Owner's) ship agent's in accordance with Charterer's suggestion at load and discharge pon(s).

Charterers to ensure that their agents are competitive with Owners quote, provided received from a bone fide agent represented in the nominated port.

## 34. OPERATIONAL COMPLIANCE CLAUSE.

√oyage orders to constitute part of this charter...

Owner shall indomnify Charterer for any damages, delays, costs and consequences of not complying with Charterer's voyage instructions given in accordance with the Charterparty.

The vessel is to give ETA notices in accordance with Charterer's voyage instructions and where time permits at least 72/48/24 hours prior to arrival at load and discharge ports. When such ETA notices are not given, any resulting delay at either load or discharge port(s), to be for Owner's account.

The vessel shall not tender Notice of Readiness prior to the earliest layday date specified in this Charterparty and laytime shall not commence before 06:00 hours local time on the earliest layday unless Charter consents in writing.

If a conflict arises between terminal orders and Charterer's voyage instructions, the Master shall stop cargo operations and contact Charterer immediately. The terminal orders shall never supersede Charterer's voyage instructions and any conflict shall be resolved prior to resumption of cargo operations.

## EARLY LOADING CLAUSE.

If Charterer permits vessel to tender NOR and berth prior to commencement of laydays, all half time from berthing until commencement of laydays to be credited to Charterer(s) against time used at discharge port(s).

#### CARGO DOCUMENTS CLAUSE.

Maximum 3 hours for Owner's account for delays solely due to awaiting delivery of cargo documents, after hoses have been disconnected.

#### EXCESS BERTH OCCUPANCY CLAUSE.

If after the disconnection of boses, the vessel remains at the berth exclusively for the vessels' purposes, the Owner will be responsible for all direct, or indirect, costs charged to Charterer(s) by the terminal, 'be supplier(s) or the receiver(s). Alternatively vessel shall vacate the berth immediately upon the terminals request.

#### WAITING VOYAGE ORDERS CLAUSE.

Charterer to have the liberty of instructing the vessel to wait for orders at a safe place. Time to count as used laytime or time on demurrage, if vessel is on demurrage.

## SPEED CLAUSE.

The vessel shall perform the laden passage at about 13.5 knots weather and safe navigation permitting.

Charterer shall have the option to request the vessel to increase her speed with Charterer reimbursing Owner for the additional bunkers consumed at replacement cost.

Charterer shall also have the option to request the vessel to reduce her speed on laden passage. Additional voyage time shall count against laytime or time on demurrage, if vessel is on demurrage and the value of any bunkers saved shall be deducted from any demurrage claim Owner(s) may have under this Charterparty with the value being calculated at replacement price.

Owner shall provide documentation to fully support the claims and

calculations under this clause.

#### SOUTH EAST ASIA CLAUSES. (IF APPLICABLE)

## a) Chinese River Ports.

If the vessel is required to discharge at non-coastal Chinese ports/berths, all extra inbound transit time in the river in excess of normal steaming time, is to count as laytime or time on demurrage, if vessel is on demurrage. For purposes of calculating extra transit time, time is to count upon expiry of 6 hours after arrival at first inbound pilot station, until arrival at customary anchorage for such port/berth.

Ill extra transit time upto cropping outbound river pilot, in excess of the normal outbound steaming time in the river, to count as laytime or time on demutrage, if vessel is on demutrage.

## b) Korean Laytime.

In case the vessel arrives at quarantine station and tenders NOR to load between 3 hours before sunset and 0100 hours the next day, laytime shall count from 0700 hours the next day.

#### c) Korcan Aachor Dues.

South Korean Anchorage dues in excess of seventy two (72) hours to be or Charterer's account.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

QUEEN'S BENCH DIVISION

COMMERCIAL COURT

Claim No: 2008 Fetio 21

BETWEEN:-

RAVENNAVI	SoA
TRACK TOLINGALIST A	- Pr

Claimant

-and-

## PROJECTOR S.A.

Defendant.

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	DEFENCE

- Abbreviations and headings used in the Particulars of Claim are adopted here for convenience only.
- Paragraphs 1 to 3 are admitted, save that the Vessel was called the "Port Russel", and not the "Port Russel]" and it is understood that the Charterparty was cancelled on 13 July 2007.
- 3. It is admitted that on or about 13 July 2007 the Claimant entered into the Alternative Fixture for a single voyage from Rotterdam to New York. It is not admitted that the Alternative fixture was entered into by the Claimant in compliance with its duty to mitigate damage as for the reasons set out below the Claimant has not suffered any loss and/or damage.

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- Paragraph 5 is denied, for the reasons set out below.
- Paragraphs 6 and 7 are noted, although their relevance is denied, for the reasons set out below.
- 6. It is submitted that the Claimant suffered no loss and/or damage. As a matter of custom and/or practice, voyages where a vessel is fixed to load to the East and discharge to the West of the Panama Canal attract a premium of between 20-30 World Scale points to reflect the cost of a subsequent ballast voyage to a suitable load port.
- 7. The Word Scale equivalent under the Charterparty was 261, which was a fixture to Ecuador only, with no option for the Vessel to go to New York. Had the Vessel had an option to go to New York, it is submitted that the freight rate would have been approximately Word Scale 230. In the event, however, the Alternative Fixture provided for freight to be paid at World Scale 270 and the Claimants have, accordingly, suffered no loss and/or damage. The Defendant will rely on Expert Evidence in support of its case in this regard.
- 8. In the alternative, the voyage calculations are wrong on the basis that, as a matter of custom and/or practice, the Claimants must, in circumstances where a vessel is fixed to load to the East and discharge to the West of the Panama Canal, allow in the voyage calculations for an additional ballast leg to the nearest suitable load port.
- 9. In this case, the port of discharge under the Charterparty was in Las Salinas, Houador and the nearest suitable load port was in Puerto La Cruz, Venezuela, and the Claimant's voyage calculations must be adjusted to allow for the said ballast log to Puerto La Cruz. The proper calculations in this regard are set out at Schedule A hereto.

In the further alternative, the Claimant's calculations of the duration of the 10. hypothetical voyage envisaged by the Charterparty are wrong. The proper calculations in this regard are set out at Schedule B hereto.

In the forther alternative, the Claimant failed to properly mitigate its losses as it 11. could have fixed the Vessel on an alternative fixture at a more favourable freight rate, in view of the market conditions at the time that the Charterparty was cancelled and the very short period of time between the time that the Charterparty was cancelled and the time that the Alternative Fixture was entered into. As above, the Defendant will rely on Expert Evidence in support of its case in this regard.

Paragraph 7 is therefore denicd. 12.

Paragraph 8 is denied it is denied that the Claimant is entitled to the relief 13. claimed, or to any relief.

Paragraph 9 is admitted. 14.

The Claimant's claim at paragraph 10 for entitlement to interest is denied, there 15. being no principal due.

The allegations in the Particulars of Claim are denied except in so far as they are 16. admitted or not admitted above.

## STATEMENT OF TRUTH:

The Defendant believes that the feets stated in this Defence are true, I am duly authorised by the Defendant to sign this Statement of Truth.

Name:

Signed:

JAMES ADDISON
Jones AdvoSolicitor

Position:

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20 March 2008

Date:

Served this 20 day of March 2008 by Clyde & Co LLP, 51 Eastchesp, London EC3M

Solicitors for the Defendant

## Schedule A

- 17. Under the voyage anticipated in the Charterparty, the Vessel would have required 6.14 days to sail from Las Salinas, Ecuador to Puerto La Cruz, Venezuela at a cost of US\$ 122,349 on account of hunkers and the cost of traversing the Panama Canal.
- 18. The duration of the voyage must be increased by 6.14 days from 39.46 days to 45.6 days. US\$ 122,349 must be deducted from the voyage surplus of US\$ 885,815 equalling US\$ 763,466. The time charter equivalent daily earnings would therefore amount to US\$ 16,742.68 (US\$ 763,466 divided by 45.6).
- 19. A corresponding allowance must be made in the Alternative Fixture for the Vessel to travel from the port of discharge to a viable load port.
- It would take 5.90 days for the Vessel to travel to Puerto La Cruz from New York
  at a cost of US\$ 49,054.
- 21. US\$ 49,054 must be deducted from the voyage surplus of US\$ 897,463.64 which equals US\$ 848,409.64. The duration of the voyage would be increased from 46.6542 days to 52,5542 days and the time charter equivalent daily earnings would therefore amount to US\$ 16,143.52 (US\$ 848,409.64 divided by 52.5542).
- 22. The time charter equivalent daily carnings on the hypothetical voyage anticipated under the Charterparty (US\$ 16,742.68) must then be deducted from the time charter equivalent daily earnings under the Alternative Fixture (US\$ 16,143.52) which equals US\$ 599.16 per day.
- Multiplying this by 45.6 days, being the proper duration of the hypothetical voyage anticipated under the Charterparty, the Claimant's have suffered no more loss than US\$ 27,321.696.
- The Defendant will rely on Expert Evidence in support of its case in this regard.
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## Schedule B

- 25. The proper calculations of the hypothetical voyage under the Charterparty are as follows:
- i) From Cotonou (where the Vessel was when it was fixed) to Amsterdam:
   12.7 days
  - ii) From Amsterdam to the Panama Canal: 15.05 days
  - iii) From the Panama Canal to Salinas: 2.11 days
  - iv) Allowing for the Panama Canal Transit: 1 day
  - v) Laytime: 3.5 days

Total time: 34.36 days.

- This reduces the duration of the hypothetical voyage by 5.1 days, reducing the Claimant's claim to US\$ 110,346.45.
- 28. The Defendant will taly on Expert Evidence in support of its case in this regard.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
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COMMERCIAL COURT

BETWEENE

RAVENNAVI SpA

Claimant

and.

PROJECTOR SA

Defendant

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An application to amend the Claim Form and Substitute Projector SA for Projector Services Limited was filed on 15.02.2008

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE OUEEN'S BENCH DIVISION COMMERCIAL COURT Claim No. 2008 Folio 21

BETWEEN:

RAVENNAVI SpA

Claimant

- and -PROJECTOR SA

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REPLY
(INCORPORATING PARTICULARS OF CLAIM
& DEFENCE)

## Ri. Unless otherwise stated:

- (1) Paragraphs designated "P" followed by the relevant paragraph number are paragraphs of the Particulars of Claim.
- (2) Paragraphs designated "D" followed by the relevant paragraph number are paragraphs of the Defence.
- (3) Paragraphs designated "R" followed by the relevant paragraph number are paragraphs of the Reply.
- (4) The terminology used in the Particulars of Claim is adopted.

- By a voyage charterparty on an amended ASBATANKVOY form dated 11th July 2007 Ρì. ("the Charterparty"), the Claimants, as Disponent Owners, agreed to charter the "PORT RUSSELL" ("the vessel") to the Defendants, as Charterers, for the carriage of a cargo of unleaded gas oil from 1 to 2 safe ports ARA-Hamburg range to 1 to 2 safe ports/ stations Ecuador.
- Abbreviations and headings used in the Particulars of Claim are adopted here for D1. convenience only.
- The Charterparty, to which the Claimant will refer for its full terms and effect, P2. provided (inter alia) as follows:
  - "... (C) LAYDAYS COMMENCING: 17th JULY 2007 0001 HRS CANCELLING: 20th JULY 2007 2359 HRS
  - (D) LOAD PORT(S)/ RANGE: ½ SP ARA\_HAMBURG RGE (E) DISCH PORT(S)/ RANGE: 1/2 SP/STS LOCATIONS ECADOR
  - (F) CARGO DESCRIPTION: CHOPT UP TO FULL CARGO NDFCA PMOS GRADE: GASOIL UNLEADED, UNDARKER THAN 2.5 NPA, SEGREGATION: MAX 2 GRADES WITHIN VESSEL'S NATURAL SEGREGATION
  - (C) FREIGHT RATE(S): USD 1,435,000 BASIS 1:1 IF LOAD ARA USD 1,475,000 BASIS 1:1 IF LOAD NTH OF ARA

ABOVE RATES ARE BASIS 1:1 AND VIA PANAMA CANAL ALL INCLUSIVE

LAYTIME: 84 HRS SHINC

(J) DEMURRAGE: USD 26,000 PDPR

(K) COMMISIONIS): 2.5 PCNT NAVIG8 EUROPE LTD

## 17. PANAMA CANAL TRANSIT CLAUSE

Any waiting time for transiting panama canal in laden condition in excess of 24 hours to count as laytime or demurrage if on demurrage, but charterers always to have the benefit of agreed laytime.

Prebooking, if required, to be for charterers' account.

## 39, SPEED CLAUSE

The vessel shall perform the laden passage at about 13.5 knots weather and safe navigation permitting.

- P3. On or about 12<sup>th</sup> July 2007 the Defendant, wrongfully and in repudiatory breach of the Charterparty, cancelled the Charterparty.
- D2. Paragraphs P1 to P3 are admitted, save that the Vessei was called the "Port Russel", and not the "Port Russell" and it is understood that the Charterparty was cancelled on 13 July 2007.
- R2. For the avoidance of doubt on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2007, Max Curtis on behalf of the Claimant e-mailed the Defendant's servants or agents putting them on notice that they would be liable for any loss suffered by the Claimant in the following terms:

"As per telecons with yourselves and as per your instructions we confirm that we will endeavour to find and secure other suitable employment for the vessel. Charterers (Projector S.A) are responsible for all losses that may arise due to cancellation of the subject fixture ..."

- P4. On or about 13<sup>th</sup> July 2007, in compliance with their obligation to mitigate the damage the Claimant secured an alternative fixture for a single voyage from Rotterdam to New York ("the Alternative Fixture").
- D3. It is admitted that on or about 13 July 2007 the Claimant entered into the Alternative Fixture for a single voyage from Rotterdam to New York. It is not admitted that the Alternative fixture was entered into by the Claimant in compliance with its duty to mitigate damage as for the reasons set out below the Claimant has not suffered any loss

and/or damage.

- P5. By reason of the aforesaid the Claimant has suffered loss and damage as particularised below at paragraphs P6 to P8.
- D4. Paragraph P5 is denied, for the reasons set out below.
- P6. The time charter equivalent of the Alternative Fixture was US\$ 19, 236.52 per day and the voyage lasted 46.6542 days as set out in detail in the attached schedule at HFW 1.
- P7. The time charter equivalent of the cancelled Charterparty was US\$ 22,448 per day with a voyage estimate of 39.46 days.
- D5. Paragraphs P6 and P7 are noted, although their relevance is denied, for the reasons set out below.
- R3. As to paragraphs D3 to D5, it is denied that the Claimant has not suffered any loss and/or damage for the reasons set out below.
- D6. It is submitted that the Claimant suffered no loss and/or damage. As a matter of custom and/or practice, voyages where a vessel is fixed to load to the East and discharge to the West of the Panama Canal attract a premium of between 20-30 World Scale points to reflect the cost of a subsequent ballast voyage to a suitable load port.

## R4. As to paragraph D6:

- (i) It is admitted that in general an owner of a vessel seeks a premium to go to the West Coast of America.
- (2) It is not admitted that the premium is necessarily 20 to 30 World Scale Points. The premium can vary widely depending on market pressure.
- (3) It is denied that the Claimant suffered no loss and/or damage.

D7. The Word Scale equivalent under the Charterparty was 261, which was a fixture to Ecuador only, with no option for the Vessel to go to New York. Had the Vessel had an option to go to New York, it is submitted that the freight rate would have been approximately Word Scale 230. In the event, however, the Alternative Fixture provided for freight to be paid at World Scale 270 and the Claimants have, accordingly, suffered no loss and/or damage. The Defendant will rely on Expert Evidence in support of its case in this regard.

## R6. As to paragraph D7:

- (1) It is not admitted that the World Scale equivalent under the Charterparty was 261.
- (2) It is denied, if it is so alleged, that the "equivalent" under the Charterparty should include a ballast voyage back to the Caribbean for the reasons set out at paragraph R5 above.
- (3) It is denied that had the vessel had an option to go to New York the freight rate would have been approximately World Scale 230 for the following reasons:
  - (a) On 32th July 2007 when the vessel was fixed to the Defendant the rate for Baltic clean tanker route TC2 Rotterdam New York was World Scale 241.04.
  - (b) On 14<sup>th</sup> July 2007 the rate for Baltic clean tanker route TC2 Rotterdam New York as World Scale 245.63.

- (c) The rates given by the Baltic Panellists are basis of a minimum cargo size 37,000 mt.
- (d) The minimum cargo size pursuant to the Alternative Fixture was 32,250 mt.
- (e) It is customary if fixing a smaller cargo size to pro rata the World Scale rate accordingly.
- (f) In the premises the World Scale rate for minimum 32,250 mt on 12th July 2007 would be approximately 276.54 and on 14th July 2007 would have been 281.
- (g) The Claimant will rely on Expert Evidence in this regard.
- (4) It is admitted that the Alternative Fixture provided for freight to be paid at World Scale 270.
- (5) It is denied that the Claimant has not suffered loss and/or damage.
- In the alternative, the voyage calculations are wrong on the basis that, as a matter of D3, custom and/or practice, the Claimants must, in circumstances where a vessel is fixed to load to the East and discharge to the West of the Panama Canal, allow in the voyage calculations for an additional ballast leg to the nearest suitable load port.
- Paragraph D8 is denied for the reasons set out in paragraph R5 above. R7.
- In this case, the port of discharge under the Charterparty was in Las Salinas, Eduador D9. and the nearest suitable load port was in Puerto La Cruz, Venezuela, and the Claimant's voyage calculations must be adjusted to allow for the said ballast leg to Puerto La Cruz. The proper calculations in this regard are set out at Schedule A hereto.
- Paragraph D9 is denied. For the reasons set out in paragraph R5 it is denied that the R3. Claimant's voyage calculations must be adjusted to allow for a ballast leg to Puerto La

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Cruz. It is denied that the proper calculations are set out at Schedule A for the reasons ses out below.

- D10. In the further alternative, the Claimant's calculations of the duration of the hypothetical voyage envisaged by the Charterparty are wrong. The proper calculations in this regard are set out at Schedule B horeto.
- Paragraph D10 is denied. It is denied that the proper calculations are set out at R9. Schedule B for the reasons set out below.
- In the further alternative, the Claimant failed to properly mitigate its losses as it could have fixed the Vessel on an alternative fixture at a more favourable freight rate, in view of the market conditions at the time that the Charterparty was cancelled and the very short period of time between the time that the Charterparty was cancelled and the time that the Alternative Fixture was entered into. As above, the Defendant will rely on Expert Evidence in support of its case in this regard.
- R10. Paragraph D11 is denied. It is denied that the Claimant failed to mitigate its loss for the following reasons:
  - The vessel was out in ballast from Cotonou baving sailed on 1st July 2007.
  - (2) The vessel sailed from Contonou and loaded bunkers. The cancelling date for Trafigura under the Alternative Fixture was 17th July 2007. In the premises the vessel was due in Rotterdam on or about 16th/ 17th July 2007.
  - (3) Although the market was rising slightly, increased waiting time causes a greater loss to a vessel owners' earnings and thus an owner needs to fix a replacement cargo as a matter of priority.
  - (4) Had the Claimant waited they would have missed fixing in respect of suitable early stems.

- (5) If the Claimant had waited to re-fix the vessel for too long they would have been unable to deliver the vessel to the Head Owners in time for the Head Owners to meet their dry docking commitments.
- (6) In the premises the Claimant complied with its duty to mitigate its loss by entering into the Alternative Fixture.
- D12. Paragraph P7 is therefore denied.
- P8. In the premises the Claimant's have suffered loss and damage in the sum of US\$3,211.48 per day for the 39.46 days the voyage under the cancelled Charterparry would have lasted, namely USS 126, 725.
- D13. Paragraph P8 is denied. It is denied that the Claimant is entitled to the relief claimed, or to any relief.
- P9. On 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2007 the Claimant presented their claim for US\$ 126,725 to the Defendant.
- Di4. Paragraph P9 is admitted.
- P10. Further the Claimant claims and is entitled to interest pursuant to section 35A of the Supreme Court Act 1981 on the damages found to be due at such rate and for such period as the Court shall think fit.
- D15. The Claimant's claim at paragraph P10 for entitlement to interest is denied, there being no principal due.
- D16. The allegations in the Particulars of Claim are denied except in so far as they are admitted or not admitted above.

## Schedule A

D17. Under the voyage anticipated in the Charterparty, the Vessel would have required 6.14

- days to sail from Las Salinas, Equador to Puerto La Cruz, Venezuela at a cost of US\$ 122,349 on account of bunkers and the cost of traversing the Panama Canal.
- R)1. The relevance of paragraph D17 is denied. For the reasons set out at paragraph R5 above it is denied that the vessel would have completed a ballast voyage to Puerto La Cruz and such a ballast voyage should not be included in any calculations.
- D18. The duration of the voyage must be increased by 6.14 days from 39.46 days to 45.6 days. US\$ 122,349 must be deducted from the voyage surplus of US\$ 885,815 equalling US\$ 763,466. The time charter equivalent daily earnings would therefore amount to US\$ 16,742.68 (US\$ 763,466 divided by 45.6).
- R12. The relevance of paragraph D18 is denied. It is denied that the duration of the voyage must be increased by 6.14 days, or at all, to take into account a ballast voyage from Ecuador to Puerto La Cruz for the reasons set out above at paragraph R5.
- DJ9. A corresponding allowance must be made in the Alternative Fixture for the Vessel to travel from the port of discharge to a viable load port.
- R13. Paragraph D19 is devied. It is denied that a corresponding allowance must be made in the Alternative Fixture for the vessel. Following the Alternative Fixture the Claimant delivered the vessel to the Head Owners in New York following Trafigura's voyage to New York.
- D20. It would take 5.90 days for the Vessel to travel to Puerto La Cruz from New York at a cost of US\$ 49,054.
- R14. The relevance of D20 is denied for the reasons set out at paragraph R13 above.
- D21. US\$ 49,054 must be deducted from the voyage surplus of US\$ 897,463.64 which equals US\$ 848,409.64. The duration of the voyage would be increased from 46.6542 days to 52.5542 days and the time charter equivalent daily earnings would therefore amount to US\$ 16,143.52 (US\$ 848,409.64 divided by 52.5542).

- RIS. The relevance of paragraph D21 is denied. It is denied that the cost of a voyage from New York to Puerto La Cruz must be deducted from a voyage surplus for the reasons set out above at paragraph R13.
- D22. The time charter equivalent daily earnings on the hypothetical voyage anticipated under the Charterparty (US\$ 16,742.68) must then be deducted from the time charter equivalent daily earnings under the Alternative Pixture (US\$ 16,143.52) which equals US\$ 599,16 per day.
- D23. Multiplying this by 45.6 days, being the proper duration of the hypothetical voyage anticipated under the Charterparty, the Claimant's have suffered no more loss than USS 27,321,696.
- R16. Paragraphs D22 & D23 are denied for the reasons set out above. No ballast voyage from Ecuador to Puerto La Cruz or from New York to Puerto La Cruz should be included in the calculations for the reasons set out above (and in particular at paragraph R5 and R13).
- D24. The Defendant will rely on Expert Evidence in support of its case in this regard.
- R17. Paragraph D24 is noted. The Claimant will rely on Expert Evidence in support of its çase.

## Schedule B

- D25. The proper calculations of the hypothetical voyage under the Charterparty are as follows:
- From Cotonou (where the Vessel was when it was fixed) to Amsterdam: 12.7 D26. i) days
  - From Amsterdam to the Panama Canal: 15.05 days ii)

- iii) From the Panama Canal to Salinas: 2.11 days
- iv) Allowing for the Panama Canal Transit: I day
- v) Laytime: 3.5 days

Total time: 34.36 days.

- R18. Paragraph D25 (i) is admitted.
- R19. As to paragraphs D26 (ii) to (v) the Claimants' calculation of the hypothetical voyage is as follows:
  - (1) From Amsterdam to Balboa: 15.01 days
  - (2) From Balboa to Salinas: 2.1 days
  - (3) Allowing for the Panama Canal Transit: 1 day
  - (4) Laytime 3.5 days

Total time: 34.4 days.

- D27. This reduces the deration of the hypothetical voyage by 5.1 days, reducing the Claimant's claim to US\$ 110,346.45.
- R20. Paragraph D27 is denied. If the voyage time is reduced then the Claimant's claim for loss and/or damage increases as follows:
  - (?) The net profit was USS 915,541.10 (for a voyage from Amsterdam to Salizas, as per the calculation attached at HFW 2) which divided by 39.46 days produces a time charter equivalent rate of USS 23,201.75 per day.
  - (2) If the net profit of US\$ 915,541.10 is divided by 34.4 days, the time charter equivalent rate is US\$26,614.57.
  - (3) Thus if the voyage time is reduced by 5.1 days the Claimant's claim would be

as follows:

(US\$26,614.57 - 19,236.52) x 34.36 days = US\$250,771.84.

- R23. In the premises the Claimant avers that the true measure of its loss and damage is US\$250,771.84 and hereby claims payment of the same.
- D28. The Defendant will rely on Expert Evidence in support of its case in this regard.
- R22. Paragraph D28 is noted. The Claimant will rely on Expert Evidence in support of its case.

AND the Claimant claims:

US\$ 126,725, alternatively damages.

Interest.

Costs.

RUTH HOSKING

Statement of Truth

The claimant believes that the facts in these Particulars of Claim are true. I am duly authorised by the Claimant to sign these statements.

Full Name:

MARIA BORG BARTHET

Name of Claimant's solicitors:

HOLMAN FENWICK & WILLAN

Signed:

Position or office held: Assistant Solicitor

Served this 25 February 2008 by Holman Fenwick & Willan, Marlow House, Lloyds Avenue, London, EC3N 3AL, Solicitors for the Claimants. (Ref. JJC/451/MBB-5537/4)

Attached; Charterparty between Ravennavi SpA and Projector SA dated 11 July 2007.

Statement of Truth

The claimant believes that the facts in this Reply are true. I am duly authorised by the Claimant to sign these statements.

Full Name:

MARIA BORG BARTHET

Name of Claimant's solicitors:

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An application to amend the Claim Form and Substitute Projector SA for Projector Services Limited was filed on 15.02.2008

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

QUEEN'S BENCH DIVISION

COMMERCIAL COURT

BETWEEN:

Claim No. 2008 Folio 21

RAVENNAVI SpA

Claimant

- and -PROJECTOR SA

Defendant

LIST OF ISSUES

This List identifies in broad terms the principal issues in the case. It does not prescribe the correct legal test for any issue and does not restrict submissions on the law. The order of issues does not convey the relative importance of the issues or bind the Court as to the manner in which evidence is to be adduced in relation thereto or indicate the order in which the issues are to be considered and/or determined at trial.

## A. Claims in Contract

#### Loss and Damage

- 1. Did the Claimants suffer loss and/or damage by reason of the Defendant's repudiatory breach of the Charterparty? In particular:
  - (1) What is the correct time charter equivalent rate for the Charterparty?
  - (2) What is the correct voyage estimate of the voyage under the Charterparty?
  - (3) What is the correct time charger equivalent rate for the Alternative Fixture?
  - (4) Should the calculations include a ballast voyage from Eduador to Puerto La Cruz?
  - (5) Should the calculations include a ballast voyage from New York to Puerte La Cruz?

(6) What, if anything, can be determined about the Claimant's loss and/or damage using the World Scale Rates?

## Mitigation

- 2. Did the Claimants comply with their duty to mitigate their loss? In particular:
  - (1) Did the Claimant's reasonably mitigate their loss by re-fixing the vessel to Trafigura on or about 13th July 2007?
  - (2) Should the Claimants have refixed the vessel on an alternative fixture at a more fevourable freight rate? If so,
    - (a) At what rate?
    - (b) For what duration?

#### B. Expert Evidence

- 3. Expert evidence from a charterparty broker as to:
  - (1) The principle and practice of calculating time charter equivalent rates;
  - (2) Calculations of the relevant time charter equivalent rates;
  - (3) An assessment of the Claimant's loss and/or damage (if any); and
  - (4) An assessment of the Alternative Fixture, in particular whether the Claimant should have concluded a different fixture and if so on what terms.

will be relevant to determination of issues 1 & 2.

## C. Common Ground

There is common ground between the parties on the following issues:

- i. The parties entered into a voyage charterparty on an amended ASBTANKVOY form dated 11th July 2007 pursuant to which the Claimants, as Disponent Owners, agreed to charter the "PORT RUSSELL" to the Defendants for the carriage of a cargo of unleaded gas oil from 1 to 2 safe ports ARA-Hamburg range to 1 to 2 safe ports/ stations Ecuador.
- On or about 12<sup>th</sup> July 2007 the Defendant, wrongfully and in repudiatory breach of the Charterparty, cancelled the Charterparty.
- On or about 13<sup>th</sup> July 2007 the Claimants entered into an alternative fixture for a single voyage from Rotterdam to New York.

# EXHIBIT 2

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RAVENNAVI SpA,	,	:	08 CV					
	Plaintiff,	:	ECF CASE					
- against -		:						
PROJECTOR S.A.,		:						
	Defendant.	: : X						
AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF PRAYER FOR MARITIME ATTACHMENT								
State of Connecticut )	ss: Town of Southport							
County of Fairfield )	ss. Town of Boundon							

Kevin J. Lennon, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

I am a member of the Bar of this Court and represent the Plaintiff herein. I am familiar with the facts of this case and make this Affidavit in support of Plaintiff's prayer for the issuance of a Writ of Maritime Attachment and Gamishment, pursuant to Rule B of the Supplemental Admiralty Rules of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

## DEFENDANT IS NOT PRESENT IN THE DISTRICT

2. I have attempted to locate the Defendant, PROJECTOR S.A. within this District. As part of my investigation to locate the Defendant within this District, I checked the telephone company information directory, as well as the white and yellow pages for New York listed on the Internet or World Wide Web, and did not find any listing for the Defendant. Finally, I checked the New York State Department of Corporations' online database which showed no listings or registration for the Defendant.

- I submit based on the foregoing that the Defendant cannot be found within this
  District within the meaning of Rule B of the Supplemental Rules for Certain Admiralty and
  Maritime Claims.
- 4. Upon information and belief, the Defendant has, or will have during the pendency of this action, tangible and intangible property within this District and subject to the jurisdiction of this Court, held in the hands of in the hands of gamishees within this District, which are believed to be due and owing to the Defendant.
  - This is Plaintiff's first request for this relief made to any Court.

## PRAYER FOR RELIEF FOR ORDER ALLOWING SPECIAL PROCESS SERVER

- 6. Plaintiff seeks an Order pursuant to Rule 4(e) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, for an Order appointing Patrick F. Lennon, Kevin J. Lennon, Charles E. Murphy, Nancy Peterson (Siegel), Colleen McEvoy, Anne C. LeVasseur or any other partner, associate, paralegal or agent of Lennon, Murphy & Lennon, LLC, or any process server employed by Gotham Process Servers, in addition to the United States Marshal, to serve the Ex Parte Order and Process of Maritime Attachment and Garnishment, together with any interrogatories, upon the garnishee(s), together with any other garnishee(s) who (based upon information developed subsequent hereto by the Plaintiff) may hold assets of, for or on account of, the Defendants.
- 7. Plaintiff seeks to serve the prayed for Process of Maritime Attachment and Garnishment with all deliberate speed so that it may be fully protected against the potential of being unable to satisfy a judgment/award ultimately obtained by Plaintiff and entered against the Defendant.

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To the extent that this application for an Order appointing a special process server 8. with respect to this attachment and garnishment does not involve a restraint of physical property. there is no need to require that the service be effected by the Marshal as it involves simple. delivery of the Process of Maritime Attachment and Garnishment to the various garnishees to be identified in the writ.

## PRAYER FOR RELIEF TO SERVE LATER IDENTIFIED GARNISHEES

9. Plaintiff also respectfully requests that the Court grant it leave to serve any additional garnishee(s) who may, upon information and belief obtained in the course of this litigation, to be helding, or believed to be holding, property of the Defendant, within this District. Obtaining leave of Court at this time to serve any later identified garnishees will allow for prompt service of the Process of Maritime Attachment and Garnishment without the need to present to the Court amended Process seeking simply to identify other garnishee(s).

## PRAYER FOR RELIEF TO DEEM SERVICE CONTINUOUS

10. Further, in order to avoid the need to repetitively serve the garnishees/banks, Plaintiff respectfully seeks further leave of the Court, as set out in the accompanying Ex Parte Order for Process of Maritime Attachment, for any process that is served on a garnishee to be deemed effective and continuous service of process throughout any given day on which process is served through the next day, provided that process is served the next day, and to authorize service of process via facsimile or e-mail following initial in personam service.

Dated:

July 1, 2008 Southport, CT

Sworn and subscribed to before me

this 1st day of July 2008.

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